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Fort Almanac—August 8.

Sun Rises	5.12 A M
Sun Sets	6.58 P M
Day's Length	13 h 46 m
High Water at Southport	3.16 P M
High Water at Wilmington	4.56 P M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE.
WEATHER BUREAU.
WILMINGTON, N. C., Aug. 8.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 66°; 8 p. m., 70°; maximum, 74°; minimum, 68°; mean, 68°.

Rainfall for the day, 1.37; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 2.13.

Rainfall at Southport, N. C., for the 24 hours, 3.25.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN.

Rain fell generally over the cotton belt east of the Mississippi river during the twenty-four hours ended at 8 a. m. yesterday, being excessive at points in South Carolina and Georgia. Rain continued yesterday morning from Florida northeast. Heavy rainfalls reported as follows: Augusta, Ga., 2.54; Batesburg, S. C., 2.80; Charleston, S. C., 1.68; Kingstree, S. C., 2.50; St. Georges, S. C., 2.70; Bainbridge, Ga., 1.72; Charlotte, N. C., 1.60; Greensboro, N. C., 1.03.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina—Showers, followed by fair in interior; northeasterly winds.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Aug. 5.—At 8 a. m. the stage of water in the Cape Fear river was 2.6 feet.

OUTLINES.

Cloud-bursts and inundations in Germany caused the death of over two hundred persons; the property loss is over 150,000,000 marks; a landslide swept away and buried a hotel and all the inmates. —— German newspapers discuss the new U. S. tariff and call for reprisals; but the government has no intention of beginning a tariff war. —— Gen. Miles, U. S. A., is receiving many official courtesies in Germany. —— Ambassador White denies the rumor that he is to succeed Sherman as Secretary of State. —— The strike in the Atlanta bag and cotton mills has been satisfactorily adjusted; the operatives will return to work Monday. —— Judge Simonton decides that an "original package" is a bottle, box, barrel or crate delivered to the carrier by the importer at the initial place of shipment. —— Gen. Foster, with his associate in the seal fisheries negotiations, Mr. Hamlin, from Europe, visited Secretary Sherman; both declined to make any public statement of the work in hand. —— Striking coal miners continue orderly and are gaining accessions to their ranks. —— The pension roll of the United States has almost reached the million mark. West Virginia coal trains are heavily guarded with armed men, because of threats of strikers. —— Fifty-six persons killed and many others injured by an explosion in a cartridge factory in Retchuk, on the Danube. —— Miners in the Kanawha, W. Va., region are quitting work; it is believed all will be out by the middle of next week. —— The Democratic county convention, Cleveland, O., was the most harmonious in years; the silver element controlled. —— N. Y. markets: Money on call was quoted easy at 1@1¼ per cent.; cotton quiet—middling 8c; flour was moderately active and firm; wheat—spot weaker; No. 2 red 87⅝@88⅞c; corn—spot weaker; No. 2 31½c at elevator and afloat; rosin quiet—strained common to good $1.55@1.60; spirits turpentine quiet at 27½@28c.

In a congratulatory strain on the "return of prosperity," a Western Republican paper exclaims: "Truly the Major's position of advance agent was no joke." No, indeed, it wasn't. No joke in that.

The stock of microbes will be pretty full after a while. A Colorado man has just discovered a brand new one which gets in its work after dark, but dies in the sun-light. When the light is turned on it goes out.

German emigrants have shown remarkably good sense. Out of the 2,300,000 who have left the fatherland, all but 200,000 landed in this country and drove stakes. Kaiser William ought to have a kindred feeling for us.

When the water gets low in the streams the farmers of Illinois and Wisconsin go to gathering fresh water clams, the shells of which are bought by button manufacturers. At one of the central points in Wisconsin many tons are brought in daily.

Some men never forget their politeness. When the Judge at Johnstown, Pa., the other day sentenced to death two brothers convicted of murder, one of them said, "I'm much obliged, Judge." Possibly he may feel under some obligations to the sheriff for giving him a swing.

The St. Louis *Globe-Democrat*, Rep., says the Republican party is a party that "does things." It does for a fact. It has been doing things so long and so many of them that it has about done the country up. And now it is doing some more of them with its dinged Dingley tariff.

To day, if nothing happens, Mr. Felts, of Colorado, will scoot on his flying apparatus from the summit of Pike's Peak to Cameron's Cove, an airline distance of thirteen miles, and thence to Colorado Springs, taking a drop from the starting point of about 8,000 feet. It may be all right if he doesn't drop too suddenly.

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Attention is called to the following REDUCED RATES of Subscription to THE MORNING STAR:

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TO CITY SUBSCRIBERS.

The STAR will be delivered by carrier at any point in the city at 12 cents per week, or 45 cents per month.

We don't know how the law is done there, or how the head of Judge King, of New Orleans, is geared, but his heart is geared all right. In a divorce case before him he refused to permit the children to be brought into court as witness for or against either parent, and stated his position thus: "I care not what the law or the facts of the case may be; I will not permit one of these children to take the stand for or against either their father or mother. I will not permit them to be innocently placed in such a position that they will have to look back upon it with distress in later years." And that settled it. Bravo for that Judge.

Extraditing people from the U. S. to New South Wales, is a pretty expensive business. It cost $30,000 to get that multi-murderer Butler back; but they had the satisfaction of hanging him.

It it be true that it is only the female mosquito which does the biting, on what rations does her male escort feed?

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

SUMMER Resorts.
NOTICE—Bids wanted.
SCHOOLS and Colleges.
A. D. BROWN—Facts.
D. O'CONNOR—For rent.
THE SNEED CO.—Howdy.
NOTICE—Press boy wanted.
"THE LIGHT of the World."
SEACOAST ROAD—Schedule.
A. PREMPERT—Barber shop.
BONEY & HARPER—The best.
SALEM Academy and College.
STR. WILMINGTON—Schedule.
MERCER & EVANS—Watch free.
HALL & PEARSALL—Groceries.
D. L. GORE—Sugar-bag bagging.
W. B. COOPER—Empty fish kegs.
R. W. HICKS—Clover Hill butter.
JOHNSON & FORE—At actual cost.
S. W. SANDERS—Fox River butter.
COOKING EXHIBIT—Parlor market.
W. E. SPRINGER & CO.—Hardware.
J. W. MURCHISON—Summer goods.
J. L. HILL—Wilmington Directory.
TUESDAY NIGHT—Moonlight excur'n.
J. H. REHDER & CO—Slipper bargains.
WORTH & WORTH—New crop molasses
SAM'L BEAR, SR.—2,000 bushels corn.
OWEN F. LOVE & CO.—Stencil cutting
NATIONAL BANK OF WILMINGTON—Statement.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

WANTED—Salesmen.
M. C. BENSON—Cattle and sheep.

BASE BALL.

The National League—Result of Yesterday's Games and Other Interesting Features.

YESTERDAY'S GAMES.

Boston, 4, Baltimore, 2;
Cincinnati, 5, Louisville, 0,
New York, 11; Philadelphia, 1.
Brooklyn, 9; Washington, 1.
Chicago, 9, Cleveland, 8.
Pittsburg, 12; St. Louis, 8.
St. Louis, 7; Pittsburg, 5.

WHERE THEY PLAY TO DAY.

Cleveland at Chicago.
Louisville at Cincinnati.

WHERE THEY PLAY TO MORROW.

New York at Boston.
Baltimore at Brooklyn.
Philadelphia at Washington.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	Won.	Lost.	Per Cent
Boston	60	27	.689
Cincinnati	55	28	.662
Baltimore	54	29	.650
New York	51	32	.614
Cleveland	45	43	.517
Philadelphia	43	47	.471
Chicago	43	48	.466
Pittsburg	40	47	.459
Louisville	40	51	.439
Brooklyn	37	48	.435
Washington	31	55	.360
St. Louis	25	68	.268

HOW THEY STOOD AUG. 7TH. 1896.

CLUBS.	Per cent.	CLUBS.	Per cent.
Baltimore	686	Brooklyn	466
Cincinnati	685	Philadelphia	448
Cleveland	648	New York	409
Chicago	574	Washington	400
Boston	559	St. Louis	315
Pittsburg	551	Louisville	258

The Beaneaters made it two out of three yesterday in a pitchers' battle, thereby permitting Cincinnati to rise. Lewis was Boston's puzzler and Nops was the Orioles' twister.

The main cause assigned by the Phillies on account of their defeat yesterday was that Rusie was in the game, and likewise in the box

The Indians' record yesterday was eight gifts, two wild pitches, two batsmen hit, and other ragged playing. No wonder the Colts triumphed.

A Train Wrecker.

A Norfolk special to the Richmond, Va., *Dispatch* says:

D. A. Grantham, sheriff of Wayne county, N. C., arrived here this morning, and, after seeing the negro William Haywood, who was arrested here yesterday for attempting to wreck a train on the Wilmington A Weldon railroad, left for Richmond to have rendition papers signed by the Governor. He will return and take the man back to North Carolina for trial.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

—See fourth page for new advertisements.

—Not a single meteorologist asked yesterday: "Is it hot enough for you?"

—If you go to the polls next Tuesday, vote against the additional school tax.

—Register of Deeds Norwood the past week issued marriage licenses to three colored couples.

—The schooner *Hattie F. Dorman*, bound for Georgetown, arrived at Southport for harbor yesterday.

—Mr. L. L. Mallard, an enterprising merchant at Wallace, N. C., has added another story to his place of business.

—About 125 people took advantage of the cheap Saturday excursion rate over the Seaboard Air Line yesterday.

—The special taxers will suffer the most overwhelming defeat next Tuesday ever recorded in an election in North Carolina.

—The O. A. N. and Atlantic Coast Line ball teams will play the second game of the scheduled series of three next Tuesday afternoon at Hilton.

—News reached here yesterday of the death of Mrs. Frank Thornton, Jr., of Fayetteville. She passed away yesterday morning after a short illness.

—Mr. M. C. Benson, the well-known produce commission man, has some thing interesting to say in the advertising columns of the STAR th s morning.

—Regular service at Seamed's Bethel this afternoon at 8 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Dr. Carmichael. Sailors and river men are cordially invited to attend.

—Farmers along the line of the W. & W. railroad, above Rocky Point, were rejoicing yesterday at the copious rainfall that had broken the drought in that section.

—Register of Deeds C. W. Norwood and Angus H. Salter, a cotton sampler, both colored, who were severely hurt in a runaway accident Friday night, were resting easy yesterday.

—Registrars have not been busy by any means recording the names of parties wishing to vote next Tuesday. At one registering place only one person had registered up to 5 o'clock yesterday.

—Rev. Jno. E. White, of Raleigh, will deliver an address before the Brooklyn Baptist Sunday school at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Rev. Mr. White is the Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board.

—As it requires a majority of the qualified [registered] voters in each township to carry the election in favor of the special school tax, it is not likely that it will be successful in seventy-five out of some thirteen hundred townships in the State.

—Complaint was made yesterday about the impassable condition of Princess street between Seventh and Eighth. Great quantities of water had collected there owing to defective drainage and pedestrians were obliged to go to Market street to get down town.

—The record at Superintendent of Health W. D. McMillan's office the past week is as follows: Births, eight whites and nine colored; deaths, four whites and eight colored; permits for digging, three; permits issued for the transportation of bodies, three; one body received.

—The friends of Major C. M. Stedman will be glad to hear that in the Greensboro papers his name has been several times mentioned recently in connection with important law cases. The *Record* of Friday refers to a case in which the city of Greensboro is sued for $10,000 damages, and in which Maj. Stedman appears as one of the counsel for the city.

The Bellamy Residence.

The Bellamy family residence, corner Fifth and Market streets, has been painted a pure white, with dark green blinds, and one can readily imagine what a pleasing sight this grand old structure now presents to the eye. The residence occupies a space of sixty-two feet front and sixty feet deep, and was designed and built under the personal direction of that veteran achitect, Mr. Jas. F. Post, for the late Dr. Jno. D. Bellamy. The construction of the building was commenced in 1860 and finished about eight months later, at a cost of $24,000. The large front door, which is artistically carved, cost $225, and the twelve wooden columns, which run from the long piazza to the top of the house, cost $1,100. Just previous to the recent repairs carpenters sounded the entire building without finding one decayed piece of timber.

House-Breaker Arrested.

Chief of Police John R. Melton, last night between 9 and 10 o'clock, arrested Brook Kelly, colored, in a house over the railroad, charged with breaking into the residence of Mr. Winslow B. Newkirk, on Sixth street between Chesnut and Grace. Mr. Newkirk's residence was entered a week ago yesterday in broad daylight, during the absence of Mr. Newkirk and his sister, the only occupants of the house. A gun, which Mr. Newkirk afterwards recovered, and several other articles were stolen. The police set to work upon the case, and last night Chief Melton arrested Brook as the alleged house-breaker and landed him in the guard house.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents. tf

CITY MARKETS.

Well Supplied with Fruits, Fish, Fresh Meats and Vegetables.

The inclement weather yesterday did not prevent the city markets from being well supplied with all the usual edibles. Watermelons are still plentiful, but cantaloupes are growing scarce. Vegetables, meats, and fish were in about the same supply as usual. Eggs sold at from 10 to 15 cents per dozen.

Fish—Sturgeon, 5c per pound; pigfish, 10c per bunch; mullets, 10c per bunch; trout, 12½ to 15c per bunch, flounders, 15 to 25c per bunch.

Clams, Crabs and Shrimps—Clams, 15c per quart; soft crabs, 40c per dozen; stone crabs, 5 to 10c each; channel crabs, 10c per dozen; shrimps, 5c per quart.

Meat—Loin steak, 12½c per pound; round, 10c; chuck beef, 7c; stew, 5 to 9c; mutton, 10 to 12½c; veal, 10 to 12½c; tongues, 20c each; sausage, 12½c per pound.

Poultry—Grown chickens, 50 to 60c per pair; spring chickens, 20 to 50c per pair; dressed chickens, 50 to 60c per pair.

Vegetables—Onions, 5c per bunch; Irish potatoes, new, 80c per peck; carrots, 5c per bunch; cabbage, 5 to 8c per head; squash, 10c per dozen; roasting ears, 10 to 15c per dozen; string beans, 20c per peck; butter beans, 8c per quart; cucumbers, 5 to 10c per dozen; okra, 5c per quart; vegetable eggs, 5c; tomatoes, 5c per quart.

Fruits—Peaches, 10c per quart; apples, 20 to 35c per peck; pears, 5c per quart; cantaloupes, 2 to 15c each; watermelons (native), 5 to 25c each; figs, 10c per quart; grapes, 10c per quart.

THE WEATHER.

High Wind and High Tide at Wrightsville—Rain Everywhere.

The melancholy days are running on fast time this year. Usually they do not put in their appearance until September at the earliest, but yesterday was as good a specimen of the "saddest of the year" as one generally experiences. It rained steadily and most drearily all the morning. Crash suits were discarded for the time and winter habiliments were pressed into service. Business was about suspended in the morning by the nasty weather, but in the afternoon the clouds grew less thick and the rain ceased so that people could get about with some degree of ease and business revived a little.

Persons who were at Wrightsville Beach report high wind, high tide and much rain there. At two o'clock yesterday afternoon the tide ran up over the plank walk from the bath house to the pavilion, and the wind blew a perfect gale.

Steam Tug Alexander Jones.

The tug *Alexander Jones* is attracting a great deal of attention just now. A telegram from Jacksonville, Florida, dated August 5th, to the New York *Sun*, states that the tug *Alexander Jones* left this port a few days ago under suspicion, and was searched before departure.

The dispatch stated further that a filibustering expedition had left one of the Florida keys with a large amount of arms and ammunition and several Cubans, all of which were transferred to the *Jones* from a schooner sailing from Knight's Key.

This seems a very plausible story, but the facts do not bear it out; at least that part of it connected with the *Jones*. The *Jones* did not leave Wilmington until Wednesday at 6.30 p. m. and did not pass out from Southport until Thursday, the day the *Sun's* dispatch reports her as having been in the vicinity of Jacksonville. She was not searched here; in fact, the government officials had no authority to board her. She left here ostensibly to go to Brunswick, Ga., to engage in the towing business.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—8 bales cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 8 bbls crude turpentine.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—5 bales cotton, 108 casks spirits turpentine, 393 bbls rosin, 81 bbls tar, 21 bbls crude turpentine.

Carolina Central R. R.—20 casks spirits turpentine, 265 bbls rosin, 18 bbls tar, 7 bbls crude turpentine.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—103 casks spirits turpentine, 234 bbls rosin.

Flat—36 bbls crude turpentine.

Total receipts—Cotton, 8 bales; spirits turpentine, 231 casks; rosin, 882 bbls; tar, 44 bbls; crude turpentine, 63 bbls.

Death of Mr. Geo. M. Greer.

Mr. George M. Greer, a young business man living on the corner of Fourth and Queen streets, and a consistent member of Fifth Street Methodist church, died Friday night at 10 o'clock, after a brief illness. He was taken with nasal hemorrhage on Wednesday, the flow of blood continuing off and on nearly twenty-four hours. Thursday night he became unconscious and remained so until his death.

The deceased was twenty-six years old and unmarried. The funeral will be conducted at 11 o'clock to-day from Fifth Street Methodist church.

Senator John W. Daniel.

United States Senator John W. Daniel, of Virginia, who, with his family, has been spending several days at Southport, came up to the city yesterday on the steamer *Wilmington*. He was the guest of The Orton until 7.15 p. m., when he left for Roanoke, Virginia, to attend the State Democratic Convention, which meets there next Tuesday.

Mrs. Daniel, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harper and Messrs. Jno. W. Daniel, Jr., and Ned Daniel will be at Southport for several weeks.

Let the Star Follow You.

STAR subscribers who are going away for the Summer will receive the paper regularly by mail by leaving orders for it at this office. Addresses will be changed as often as desired.

THE SCHOOL TAX.

Reasons Why Tax-Payers Should Vote Against It Next Tuesday.

There are many good and substantial reasons why the tax-payers will on Tuesday next vote against the proposed school tax.

First and foremost, the burden upon the citizen who is aiding the government is already marvelously heavy, the poll and property taxation being probably unparalleled, and however willing the heart may be or however virtuous the cause, men eventually feel that such monstrous taxation becomes a species of political tyranny without giving at all adequate returns.

Further, one naturally feels an interest as to how this special fund is to be managed and by whom. Taxes are more readily voted when there is faith in the powers that be. Such faith has not been greatly engendered by the last two law-making bodies composing our State Legislature.

The call for this considerable additional tax would indicate that our educational system was greatly deficient, and that illiteracy was more or less master of the situation. Such is not the case, and whatever the educational history of the State may have been in previous years, the history of recent times shows that North Carolina has been steadily advancing, colleges and schools of best grade rapidly springing into existence in all parts of the State.

One seeming mistake that is invariably made by the public agitator or politician, and by many of the people generally, is that education is the eventual panacea for the political and socialistic troubles and legislative ills of the land and should be sown broadcast into all mental soil—fit or unfit for its reception. And yet it is fair to assume from past history that there probably always will be those to whom education could be of no benefit, could never aid in their daily struggle and by its dim light pictures of unhappiness and discontent would dawn into their hearts which could never be eradicated.

One of the ablest educational writers has recently written as follows:

"Linked closely with many other very serious educational mistakes, and from many points of view by far the most profoundly serious of them all, is that curious fancy, which is almost universal among our people, that education in itself and for all human beings is a good and thoroughly desirable possession. So axiomatic is this held to be that its principle has been incorporated into the constitutions of many of our States, and not only is education made free to all, but in most States it is made compulsory upon all. There is probably in our whole system to-day no principle so fundamentally untrue as this, and there is certainly none that is fraught with so much social and political peril for the future. For education means ambition, and ambition means discontent."

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"Nor is there any moral safeguard in a limited degree of education. Quite the contrary. It only makes the naturally criminal person far more dangerous, converting the potential sneak-thief into the actual forger and embezzler, and the barroom brawler into the anarchistic bomb-thrower. Statistics lately sent to Congress in a veto message show the fact that in our prisons the proportion of the fairly educated to the uneducated is far larger than among an equal number of ordinary citizens."

A fair scrutiny of the situation would indicate that reformatories rather than schools were needed. Moral rottenness with attendant criminal outbreaks is considerably more in evidence than mental weakness.

In the long ago days of the framing of our constitution, the politician and statesman were identical. Unfortunately political struggles of more than a hundred years have about effected the divorcement of the two, and we find the politician of to-day too ready to take what he thinks will be the popular side of public questions upon most superficial and imature judgment, without that serious study which such problems always demand.

Such studious consideration of the present school question would result in adding nothing to the burdens of our tax-payers, and the real friend of the people would devise a way to lighten those burdens rather than adding thereto.

CITIZEN.

STRANGE PHENOMENA.

A Bright Light in the East Seen in the Early Morning by a Citizen of Edgecombe County.

WHITAKERS, EDGECOMBE CO., N. C., August 7, 1897.

EDITOR STAR:—At 2 o'clock this morning the heavens being obscured by a cloud, a light, like unto the early dawn, lighted up the eastern horizon. A bright object loomed up which I at first took to be "the morning star" (no pun.) Its ascent, though, was not direct: its position wavered like unto a ship at sea; it tacked about, first to the south, then to the north; then a descent, till the object was hid from sight; a second ascent, then it descended. Later, it made its appearance again, though looking less bright apparently, taking its flight to the east.

My observation of this strange phenomena lasted for at least one hour. About fifteen minutes prior to my first seeing the light in the east, I heard two reports apparently in that direction, which excited my curiosity. These noises may or may not have had any connection with the other phenomena. I only surmised that they might.

What was this light? Was it one of nature's wonders, or was it a work of art? Is it possible that it was a flash light at Hatteras? Or was it an aerial ship, or a wandering kite? Surely, to me, it was a wonderful æraliter, and I doubt not it must have been seen by others, since "it was not done in a corner."

Storm at Hatteras.

The Norfolk *Dispatch* of Friday says "an unusually heavy storm swept the coast Thursday night from Cape Hatteras to Cape Henry, but fortunately no disasters occurred. The government's wire went down, but it is known that a terrible sea was on last night, with the wind at fifty miles an hour. At Cape Henry a velocity of thirty-six miles an hour from the northeast was recorded, blowing directly against incoming steamships."

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cent

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculte the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

—Mrs. W. E. Stevens, of Clinton, arrived in the city yesterday.

—Mr. A. W. Vick left last evening for Wilson to spend Sunday.

—Mr. Jno. A. McKay, of Fontcol, was registered here yesterday.

—Messrs. R. H. Cowan and Z. V. Croom have returned from Fayetteville.

—Mr. M. M. Moore, of Burgaw, was a visitor at the STAR office yesterday.

—Mrs. W. I. Thompson, of Maxton, was one of yesterday's hotel registrations.

—Mr. A. J. Floyd, of Ashpole, was here yesterday calling on wholesale merchants.

—Mr. D. Getaz, of the firm of Getaz & Co., contractors, arrived in the city yesterday.

—Mr. J. D. Edwards, one of the A. C. L. employes, is visiting relatives near Goldsboro.

—Misses Clara and Bessie Babington, of Charlotte, came down with the excursionists yesterday.

—Mr. F. W. Bird and Mr. E. I. Smalley, of Marlville, took the steamship *Pawnee* for New York yesterday.

—Col. John A. Pemberton, who has many friends in Wilmington, is reported very sick at his home in Fayetteville.

—Mr. and Mrs. Jno. E. Neimeyer returned yesterday from Rocky Mount, where they had been on a visit to their daughter.

—Mrs. L. B. DeRosset and daughter, Miss Bessie DeRosset, leave tomorrow for Washington, N. C., to visit relatives.

—Miss Ophelia Northam has just returned to the city after spending a month at Goldsboro and Halifax with relatives.

—Mrs. L. P. Newman, of Florence, and Miss Sue Coleman, an accomplished young lady of Whiteville, are here visiting relatives.

—Miss Emma McDougall, who has been visiting Miss Katie McLaurin, left yesterday for her home in New York on the *Pawnee*.

—Mr. W. B. Cooper returned yesterday from Mullins, S. C., where he went several days since to attend his father in his death sickness.

—Miss Rosa Charlotte Bailey, one of Winston's accomplished daughters, returned home yesterday after a pleasant visit to Miss Octavia Boatwright.

—Mr. J. S. Price, of Charlotte, a brother of Mr. W. P. Price, of the Atlantic National Bank, arrived yesterday and sailed on the *Pawnee* for New York.

—Among the arrivals in the city yesterday were Messrs. Jas. Maglena and A. M. Parker, Raleigh: Geo. T. Jones, Rocky Point, and Jas. E. Holton, Newbern.

—Among the arrivals from Clinton yesterday were Mr. W. T. Dunlap and wife, Mr. A. J. Crampton and wife, Mr. Jno. F. Jeffreys and Mr. J. C. Scarborough.

—Mr. J. R. F. Savage, a rising young attorney of New York, who has been visiting his uncle, Capt. Henry Savage, left yesterday on the *Pawnee* for New York.

—Capt. James Knight, of the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad, returned yesterday, accompanied by Mrs. S. P. Collier, Miss Louise Knight and Mrs. May Councell. Captain Knight visited the Buffalo Lithia Springs and Bedford City, Va. He is much improved in health and looks "fine as a fiddle."

Colored Confidence Man.

John Roper, colored, an alleged confidence man, was arraigned for trial before Justice Fowler yesterday afternoon, charged with the larceny of a sewing machine from Laney Hicks, colored, and with false pretence. Upon hearing the testimony in the two cases Justice Fowler decided that there was probable cause to hold Roper to answer to the first charge in the Criminal Court, but that the latter charge simply amounted to a breach of trust. The defendant was committed to jail in default of a $100 justified bond, imposed upon him by the Court in the larceny case.

There are two other charges pending against Roper, one of which is for swindling Julius Coachman, colored, to whom Roper promised a position as conductor on the S. A. L. road.

ANOTHER YACHT CLUB.

The Club House Will Be at Carolina Beach.

A movement is on foot to organize a yacht club at Carolina Beach. Mr. W. A. French, Jr., has been soliciting members and has been successful to a marked degree, having secured about sixty names.

Work on the club house will begin some time this year so as to have it in readiness for next season. The promoters of the undertaking are enthusiastic over the prospects and say that there is no doubt but that their plans will be successfully consummated. The name of the club has not been selected yet.

A Sad Death.

Among the passengers on the Carolina Central train yesterday were Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Dunlap, of Charlotte, who with their little eighteen month's old daughter were on their way to the seashore. The little one had been in bad health and was being taken to the seaside under the family physician's directions. Last night at nine o'clock it died. The parents had fondly hoped that their child would find restoration to health by breathing the salt air from the ocean. It was pitifully sad that it should die so soon.

RALEIGH NEWS BUDGET.

SUNDAY SELLING AND THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

City Tax Levy Postponed Until September—Durham, the Swindler—Governor Russell Will Go to Fort Monroe—First Boll of Cotton in Wake County.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, August 7.

The meeting of the aldermen last night was a tame affair to what was expected. The Sunday selling question was not brought before the board. The advocates of the Sunday "blue law" evidently saw it would be defeated and did not present it. Mr. N. B. Broughton said a short time since that the aldermen had to pass this ordinance. By agreement they let the ordinance stand as it is. The aldermen postponed the tax levy until September, and announced that if the bonds are not carried at the approaching election on the question the tax levy will have to be increased to meet the city's expenses.

An ordinance has been introduced before the aldermen to place the entire supervision and control of the police into the hands of a special police committee. This looks like a hit at the mayor, and will tend to increase the bad feeling already existing between the mayor and the board. The people would far prefer to have their mayor suspend policemen and fill temporary vacancies than for it to be in the hands of a few aldermen to manipulate for their favorites and pets.

Deputy Sheriff Rivers returned from Indianapolis yesterday without Durham, the fellow who swindled the Royall & Borden Furniture Company, of this city, with a bogus draft for $100. The prosecuting attorney in Indianapolis told Mr. Rivers that he didn't have a sufficient case to convict him, but when Durham saw that an officer had come for him from North Carolina he pleaded guilty rather than be brought to Raleigh for trial. The judge sentenced him to not less than one or more than fourteen years' imprisonment in the discretion of a board, and fined him $10.

Representative Johnson, of Sampson county, is in the city. His friends could scarcely recognize him. He had a gay red mustache last winter, and now he has dyed it coal black. His fastidious appearance gives him the air of an office-seeker.

The Governor is expected back Monday. Governor and Mrs. Russell and their party will go to Fort Monroe next Saturday to witness the target practice. The Governor's Guards will be present on that occasion. Maj. E. M. Hayes will go Monday to get things in order for the party.

The first mature boll of cotton was brought to Raleigh yesterday from Johnston county. It was raised on the farm of Mrs. Tomlinson, twenty miles from Raleigh.

Capt. C. B. Denson, of Raleigh, will teach at King's Mountain next session.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

There will be no service at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church to day. Sunday school at 4.30 p. m.

There will be no divine service this day in St. Matthew's English Lutheran church, Brooklyn, owing to the absence of the pastor, Rev. G. D. Bernheim. Sunday School at 9.30 a. m.

Services in St. John's church to-day by the rector, Rev. Dr. Carmichael, at 7.45 and 11 a. m.

Services in Seamen's Bethel to day at 8 p. m., conducted by the Rev. Dr. Carmichael. All seafaring and river men are most cordially invited to attend.

COLORED CHURCHES.

St. Stephen's A. M. E. church, corner Fifth and Red Cross streets, Rev. E. J. Gregg pastor—Preaching this day at 10.30 a. m., 8 p. m. and 8.15 p. m. by the pastor. Special services to the Sons and Daughters of Joseph and baptism of infants in the afternoon.

Services in St. Mark's church to-day: Morning Prayer, Sermon and Holy Communion by Rev. E. Wooten at 11 o'clock; Evening Prayer and sermon by Rev. Dr. Carmichael at 8.15 o'clock.

Gasoline Fire.

Last night at the residence of Mr. Chas. E. Butters, on Second street, between Dock and Orange, a colored employe, while lighting a gasoline stove in a rear room, set fire to a can containing gasoline, which he had left too near the stove. The room was at once filled with burning gasoline and smoke. Luckily Mr. Butters was near by and hurried to the scene and threw the burning can of gasoline into the yard, where the flames were quickly suppressed with sand, water being of no use in a case of this kind. The Fire Department in the meantime has responded to an alarm from box 43, Front and Orange streets, but rendered no assistance, as it was unnecessary.

To Institute a Lodge at Wallace.

The following Odd Fellows, members of the four lodges, Orion, Wilmington, Hanover and Cape Fear, of this city, will go to Wallace Wednesday night (as told in the STAR yesterday) to establish a lodge in that town, viz: Messrs. J. M. McGowan, W. W. Yopp, A. H. Creasy, W. F. LeGwin, S. J. Ellis, M. W. Jacobi, T. G. Evans, W. C. Smith, B. J. Jacobs, Alex. Boone, L. L. Boone, F. Lafello, J. J. Hopkins, J. E. Gordon, A. J. Marshall, J. W. Fleet, Jno. Robinson, Frank Meir, J. O. Powers, B. W. Durham, Bordeaux and Baldwin.

The team, which is in charge of District Deputy Grand Master Jos. T. King, will leave for Wallace Wednesday evening at 7.35 o'clock, returning the following morning.

Moonlight Excursion.

The King's Daughters and Sons of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church will give a moonlight excursion to Carolina Beach next Tuesday night. This excursion deserves a liberal patronage and will no doubt receive it.

The committee of arrangements will do everything in their power to make the occasion a success.

Short in His Accounts.

In our Raleigh letter yesterday mention was made of the fact that J. L. Milan, assistant ticket agent of the Seaboard Air Line at Charlotte, had absconded. It now appears that a shortage of about $1,200 has been found in his accounts. His bond, made by a Northern Trust Company, is for $2,000, which fully protects the railroad.

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SILVER AND GOLD.

The gold standard organs seem to take particular pleasure in calling attention to the fall in the price of silver within the past couple weeks, it having reached the lowest point since the closing of the India mints, when it took a sudden drop, as might have been expected. They account for the decline in price by the over-supply in the market and the falling off in the demand, which may be the reasonable way to account for it, but it is somewhat remarkable that the fall in price should be so sudden and almost co-incident with the reported big gold discoveries in Alaska and other portions of the world. Under present conditions, with silver divested to such a large extent of its money quality, there is no reason why a large increase in the gold output, real or prospective, should materially affect the price of silver unless upon the assumption that gold will become so abundant as to take the place of silver for many of the uses to which the white metal is now applied; but this evidently is not the case, as no one looks for that.

Neither has there been any extraordinary output of silver to glut the market more than usual so that the decline in price cannot be attributed to unusually excessive production. It may be noted, however, in this connection that there is now in England a monetary commission delegated by the President of the United States in pursuance of a resolution of Congress, to try to bring about a conference of the leading European nations, to see whether some agreement might not be reached by which silver might be restored as a money metal and its coinage be entered upon by the nations participating in the conference. It may also be noted that very favorable reports have come from Europe as to the encouragement which this commission is meeting with and its success in securing the promise of co-operation of some of the governments over there. Some of these reports even go so far as to say that the British Government is favorably impressed and disposed to co-operate to the extent of making some important concessions, in opposition to the views of the gold standard adherents who contend that the British monetary system is the best that could be devised and should not be changed out of deference to other nations or to the English bimetallists who have been clamoring for the dethronement of gold and the restoration of the double standard.

Is it at all improbable that under these circumstances the gold kings of England should combine to put silver still lower down, with a view to injuring it and impairing its chances for restoration as a money metal? They could by concert put up a job like that in a very little while and send the metal down not only in London but the world over. As the gold supplies are bought and controlled by a comparatively small number of men so are the silver supplies. It takes a great deal of money to handle either extensively, and the combinations which have the money can control the stock of both metals, and fix the price of the latter as they could of the former if it was not a world-money metal. They dictate the price in London, the cable reports it and immediately the markets abroad and on this side of the ocean go up or down in response to the London figures.

The silver miner seeks the markets with his silver just as the wheat or cotton grower seeks the markets with his wheat or cotton, the prices of which are fixed in London just as the price of silver is, and the silver miner is, since the mints have been closed against silver, just as much in the power of the London buyers as the wheat or cotton grower is, even more so, because the markets of the world are still open to wheat and cotton, both of which the world must have. The consumptive demand for these has not been cut in two as it has been in the case of silver by the degrading legislation that has closed the markets of nearly all the leading nations against it as a money metal and reduced it practically to the condition as a mere commercial commodity. Under the circumstances it is not at all surprising that the price of silver should go down, controlled as it is by a small number of men who are more interested in the other metal and have a selfish motive for pulling silver down.

It wouldn't be at all surprising that the manipulators who make the greatest profits by the present monetary system should combine to put silver down and gold up, for they gain in a double way by this when one ounce of gold will buy more ounces of silver, and are helping by the depreciation of silver to keep it out of the way as a full money metal and an associate of their gold.

They form combines and corner grain, cotton, sugar, steel and other things, and why not silver, especially when they have a double motive and so much to gain by it? Before silver was demonetized they couldn't corner or control it, for it had a mint price which they couldn't affect. There was a world-market for it then and the price of the coined metal was practically the price of the bullion. That's what the gold men do not want to see again, for every dollar added to the mintage of the world decreases to that extent the demand for their gold and proportionally reduces their profits as gold lenders. Possibly if the truth was known, it would be found that the latest falls in the price of silver are the result of put up jobs by the gold kings.

MINOR MENTION.

Li Hung Chang is a liberal-minded, progressive Chinaman. He has worked long to get China out of the ruts, but he has had to contend against superstition, the effect of education, and the customs of ages and against formidable opposition by men high in place and in power, who were content to have China remain as she is, and who would if they could build the Chinese wall still higher. One of these, and the most obstinate and formidable of the lot, Li Hung Tsao, has recently died, and this left the anti-progressive element without a head, unless some other one pops up. As an illustration of the liberal mindedness of Li Hung Chang, we quote the following from a letter to an American missionary:

"Unquestionably, if you can give to the olind leaders of our people light and learning enjoyed in the West, they, in turn, will lead our people out of their darkness. I think I may claim to have many friends in the United States, where you now go. The cordial reception I met with wherever I went there made a deep impression upon my heart, and has greatly endeared your people to me. If it would interest them to know that I regard you highly and give you a helping hand in your future efforts to bring more light into the world and encourage higher aims for human aspirations, you may use for that purpose this letter from your friend."

This is not only an evidence of liberality in matters of religion, but it shows that Li Hung Chang is a thinker and that he has some just conception of what it is necessary to do to bring his country spiritually from darkness to light. It is necessary to give light to the "blind leaders of the blind," but it is no easy matter to convince those blind leaders that they are blind, for conceit in their own knowledge and superiority is one of the predominating characteristics of the Chinese, both high and low. Even Li Hung Chang, with all his liberality and progressiveness, has considerable of this, although he has been educated out of it to some extent by reading and contact with men of other countries. But he is giving aid to the missionaries by introducing new methods and modern ideas into his country. The locomotive and the telegraph are mighty evangelizers.

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Bradstreet's review of the business situation for the past week notes an "upward tendency of prices." There is an advance in hides, wheat, wheat flour, pork, lard, Pacific coast hops, sugar, soft coal and tea, also in Bessemer pig iron at Pittsburg, "where smelters declined orders for future delivery at current quotations and for iron bars and iron and steel sheets at Western centers." Ordinarily this taken as a whole might be a source of congratulation as an evidence of returning prosperity, but when we look into it the congratulation will bear some modification. The advance in the price of wheat flour and pork is not because of any extraordinrry home demand, but because of the foreign demand. But the country is the gainer by that. The advance in the price of soft coal is not the result of increased business activity, but of the miners' strike, which has reduced the supply and run the price up. There is no feature of returning prosperity in this. The other things mentioned in which there has been an advance in price are all covered by the new tariff, and the advance is due to that and not to any extraordinary demand. With the exception of the advance in the price of food stuffs which go abroad and bring money in there is nothing in this upon which the country may be congratulated, but the reverse, for it means higher prices for articles of daily consumption and use, for which the people receive no compensating benefit. The "protected" are simply taking advantage of their opportunity to raise prices and squeeze tribute out of their customers. Thus the new tariff has begun to get in its work already.

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A leading German publication in an article on the railways of the world, gives the mileage of the world at the end of 1895, at 433,953 miles, distributed as follows: Europe, 155,284; North America, 205,693; South America, 24,026; Asia, 26,890; Africa, 8,169; Australia, 13,888. The United States lead in mileage with 181,717 miles as against 28,841 in Germany; 18,671 in Austria-Hungary; 20,909 in the United Kingdom; 24,980 in France; 23,455 in Russia; 19,403 in British India, and 13,888 in Australia. It attributes the financial embarrassments of the American railways to the great reduction within the past twenty years in the cost of transportation, both of freight and passengers, and argues that with the volume of business which our railroads have been doing if they received the same rates that they did in 1871, they would be financially prosperous. There is some truth in this, for the reduction in rates, which has been very great, resulting from competition and other conditions, has doubtless had much to do with cutting down receipts and sweeping away profits, but there are other causes and among them the financial system which has been a powerful factor in the depression.

BOOK NOTICES.

The Sanitarian for August presents a list of contents which the physician and reader on sanitary subjects will find interesting. One in which the public is interested is on "Causes and prevention of water fermentation." Address A. M. Bell, M. D., editor, 387 Clinton street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

The *Free Thought Magazine* for August leads off with some remarks of Col. Bob Ingersoll on "The Gods," from a hasty glimpse of which we conclude that Bob doesn't think much more of the ancient deities than he does of future roasting. Address Free Thought Magazine, 318 E. Indiana street, Chicago, Ill.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Rockingham *Rocket*: Some of the colored committeemen are kicking because they are not allowed to control their schools, and say if the whites are to control them they will exercise their rights in visiting and controlling white schools. What nextt We emphasize the question—Wha? next?

— Wilson *Times*: Thursday morn-Morris Tucker and Will McKensie were up before his Honor, Mayor Deans, charged with stealing a watch from a stranger in the city, who was on his way to South Carolina from Virginia. It was proven that Morris did the stealing and then that McKensie pawned it, so both men were sent to jail.

— Charlotte *Observer*: Mr. J. L. Milan, assistant ticket agent in the Seaboard Air Line's up-town office, who left town Tuesday evening without notifying his family or employers, has not returned, and it is supposed does not intend to. He bought a ticket to Lexington, but beyond that nothing has been heard of him. Mr. J. S. Bishop, assistant travelling auditor, is here checking up the books. Mr. R. A. Cole, the travelling auditor of the Seaboard, arrived last night from Portsmouth. There is no doubt about the absentee being short in his accounts—it is only a question of how much. The amount may be $1,000, or more.

— Columbus *News*: Mr. Elijah Creech, one of the foremost and upright citizens of Welches Creek township, died at his home last Friday. He was about seventy years of age. —— Died at her home in Whiteville last Saturday morning, Mrs. Lydia Vause, wife of W. A. Vause and daughter of Haynes Harrelson. The immediate cause of her death was heart failure. The deceased had only been married a few weeks. —— The news from all parts of the county is that the farmers have about the best cotton crop ever made up to this, and if seasons continue favorable there will be an abundant harvest. Rain is badly needed now, even for cotton. Corn and other crops have already suffered considerably from drought.

— Wadesboro *Messenger-Intelligencer*: Two white convicts made a break for liberty at the State farm last Friday. One of them was shot in the hip and captured; the other one was captured by Mr. T. R. Tomlinson soon afterwards while running through his (Mr. Tomlinson's) field, just below the farm. The man who was shot was painfully, but not seriously, wounded. —— The notorious Joe Boggan is again in trouble. This time he is charged with attempting to rape Berta Clemons, a young colored woman of Wadesboro. The assault was made some time ago, but Boggan was not arrested until last Saturday. Berta cooks for Mr. J. D. Leak, and it was while on her way home, after dark, that she was attacked by Boggan, but by desperate efforts she managed to escape from him before he accomplished his purpose.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— It must be admitted that the price per ton paid by the average consumer for coal does not afford any excuse for low wages at the mines —*Washington Star*.

—— The American citizen returning from Europe whose trunks are held up on the wharf and the clothing therein contained condemned to pay tribute should try and get some comfort out of the assurance tariff that taxes are "paid by the foreigne *New York World, Dem.*—

—— When the decrease of the demand for American goods in European markets becomes manifest our Republician friends will raise a howl of indignation about the foreign war on our commerce, and yet it is a war which has been invited by a Republican Congress.—*New Orleans States, Dem.*

—— The action taken by the corporation of Brown University, of Rhode Island, continues to furnished material for controversy. That action seems to have pleased only a few monometallist fanatics and machine politicians. It has offended and disgusted every sensible and fair-minded man in the United States and out of it, and has amazed our British cousins to the point of speechlessness.—*Washington Post, Ind.*

—— Secretary Long of the navy department says the government can build the armor plate for the new battleships at a cost of $300 a ton, beyond which amount the Senate has refused to go. There is no reason for paying $425 for a thing when it can be made for $300. But has the secretary taken into consideration the cost of a plant and the amount of armor plate the government will have to make? —*Savannah News, Dem.*

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The eternal years of God are hers;
But error, wounded, writhes in pain,
And dies among his worshipers.

Keep pushing! 'Tis wiser than sitting aside,
And sighing and watching and waiting the tide;
In life's earnest battle they only prevail,
Who daily march onward and never say fail.

If I can stop one heart from breaking,
I shall not live in vain;
If I can ease one life from aching,
Or cool one pain,
Or help one fainting robin
Unto his nest again,
I shall not live in vain.

And slight is the sting of his trouble,
Whose winnings are less than his worth;
For he who is honest is noble,
Whatever his fortune or birth.

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— Open the door of your mind to good thoughts and evil ones will be driven out.

— A man might as well try to eat enough at breakfast to last him all his life as to try to get grace enough at once to last him until he dies.

— Christians who get half over the border get it from both sides; the church clubs them on one side and the world throws bricks at them on the other.

— The man who boasts that he is a paying member and not praying member of a church had better have an eye on his children; children of such men go to ruin.

— We cannot prevent our thoughts coming any more than we can keep the birds from firing over our heads, but we can keep them from building nests in our hair.—*Lorenzo Dow.*

— True glory consists in doing what deserves to be written; in writing what deserves to be read, and in so living as to make the world happier and better for one living in it.—*Pliny.*

—From the top of Lookout Mountain in Tennessee you can see seven States, and in these States are 1,871,894 Baptists, or one-third the Baptists in the world—*North Carolina Baptist.*

— Character is more than intellect. A great soul will be strong to live, as well as to think. Goodness outshines genius, as the sun makes the ethical light cast a shadow.—*Emerson.*

— He that would enjoy life and act with freedom must have the work of the day continually before his eyes. Not yesterday's work, lest he fall into despair; not to-morrow's, lest he become visionary; not that which ends with the day, which is worldly work.—*Clerk Maxwell.*

— The most popular book on earth to-day is the Bible, the most popular institution on earth to-day is the church, and the most popular name on earth to day is Jesus. Thousands of men and women would, if need be, march, out and die for him.—*Dr. Talmage.*

TWINKLINGS.

— "The fish seem to get larger every year."

"Yes; trying to keep up with the fish stories, I suppose."—*Detroit Free Press.*

— Parson—"Well, Willie, I suppose you kneel every night beside your mother's knee, don't you?"

Willie—"No, sir; over it."—*Judge.*

— "Darling is an experienced yachtsman, isn't he?'

"I should say so! You ought to his collection of champage corks."—*Chicago Journal.*

— "It's your wife at the telephone," said the office boy.

"Tell her I'm out for the afternoon."

"He says to tell you he's out for the afternoon, mum."—*Detroit Journal.*

— Mrs. Sprocket—Why dosen't Mrs. Slimpson ride a bicycle?"

Mrs. Bloomer—"Her husband says she's not in proper shape to ride a wheel."—*Yonkers Statesman.*

— Those dancing masters who complain that the bicycle is destroying their business are not wise. They should invent a step which would enable the ordinary citizen to dance out of the way of the scorcher.—*Memphis Commercial Appeal*

— "Miss Grabbs declares her girl girl friends can't deny that her attachment to that gentleman with a title was a case of love at first sight."

"That's very true,' replied Miss Cayenne "She saw him first."—*Washington Star.*

— Bridget has a kitchen full of her company.

Mistress (from the head of the stairs) —"Bridget!"

Bridget—"Yes, ma'am."

Mistress—"It's ten o'clock."

Bridget—"Thank ye, ma'am. And will ye be so koind ez to tell me whin it's twelve?"—*Tit-Bits.*

— One of the many private secretaries at the national capital is still new to his honors. One day a newspaper woman, full of business, burst into the office of this secretary's chief. The great man was out.

"Can you tell me when he will be in?' she asked.

"Really," drawled the clerk, "I haven't an idea."

"Well," said the newspaper woman, as she turned to go, "I must say you look it."—*Washington Post.*

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A Philadelphia Street Car Idyl.

The old Gallowhill street horse cars, relics of the antetrolley days, were never remarkable for great speed. A lady and gentleman boarded one of these cars the other night about 10:30 o'clock and after jogging along for several blocks the car came to a standstill. Then the front door opened and the driver's head appeared. "Say, Bill," it called back to the conductor, "won't you run over to the drug store and buy me a stamp? I've got to write to my girl tonight." Nothing loath, Bill did as requested and, after a short chat with the clerk, sauntered leisurely back to his car. At Sixteenth street the lady and gentleman alighted, expecting to take a north bound car, but none was in sight. Turning to the conductor, the gentleman remarked jestingly: "You kept us waiting while you got your stamp. Why not wait here until our car comes?" Bill motioned to the driver, who was watching him, and said: "Jim, this gent wants me to wait here until their car comes. Can't we do it?" "Why, cert," replied Jim. The Sixteenth street cars were blocked, and it was ten minutes before one came along. "Good night," called Bill as his two passengers alighted. "See youse again!"—Philadelphia Record.

Clever Wife.

"What in the name of Jupiter did you sew up all the pockets in my overcoat for this morning?"

"Dearest, that letter I gave you to post was very important, and I intended to make sure you carried it in your hand."—Strand Magazine.

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The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

HOMING PIGEONS.

PROGRESS MADE IN BREEDING AND TRAINING THESE BIRDS.

The Great Service They Rendered During the Siege of Paris—The Prices Paid For Them In England Range From $5 to $300.

Carrier pigeons must not be confused with homing pigeons. The former is a fancy pigeon, especially prized for the largeness of its eye and wattles, but quite useless as a messenger. Both are cousins of the dragon, but the fancier, in the case of the carrier, has bred purely for points, color, shape, etc., while the homing pigeon fancier cares nothing for these things. With him it has been "handsome is as handsome does," and stamina with intelligence has been his aim.

The homing instinct goes back to the fountain head of all the varieties, the blue rock itself. The bird, in fact, has been made and is the product purely of that game of extermination known as "the survival of the fittest." The one thing which gave the fillip to the sport was undoubtedly the siege of Paris. The French fought and lost one great battle after another till they were driven within the iron walls of Paris. Then it was that the city, entirely surrounded by the allied forces, found herself cut off from all communication with the outer world. A few patriotic fanciers offered their birds to the government, and so was organized the pigeon post, by which means the government was kept alive to the doings of the besiegers, and the besieged could receive communications from their friends outside. The modus operandi was this: A balloon left Paris, taking with it a pannier of pigeons, and, once clear of the Prussian outposts, the balloonist made his way for some recognized center.

The messages to be sent to Paris were then, by means of photography, reduced so that a page of The Times could appear on a small piece of paper or film two inches by an inch or so. In this way a single pigeon was the bearer of upward of 300 messages, the aggregate cost of which to the senders was considerably over £100. The first three pigeons carried in this way over 1,000 dispatches. Upward of 115,000 official and private messages were brought into Paris by the pigeons, and the records of the pigeon and balloon service of the siege of Paris certainly read more like a romance of the Jules Verne type than simple historical facts. The services rendered during the memorable siege set all the world a-wondering, with the result that nearly all the governments of Europe (our own being the great exception) at once established military lofts, which have been extended on every hand and are being perfected.

While the governments thus recognized the value of the homing pigeon for military purposes a few stalwart fanciers in this country discovered a new medium of sport, with the result that J. W. Logan, M. P., and other recognized "fathers of the fancy" imported the best birds that Belgium had to offer, and it is from these birds and those imported since that the racing pigeon in this country has been produced. I have little hesitation in saying that upward of £20,000 per annum has been spent during the last 25 years in purchasing the best birds, and that at prices from, say, 20 shillings for a squeaker up to £60 for a proved racer or stud bird. The first public long distance races in this country seem to have been organized about 1870, and from that day to the present the homing pigeon has been gradually clearing its character of being a public house plaything, fit only for mile to three mile sweeps, until now towns innumerable and villages throughout the country have their flying clubs, with a programme of races starting generally at about 70 and extending in many instances up to 500 miles. Wherever, too, the Britisher has gone, there also has he taken his terrier and homing pigeon, and we now hear of the bird as a recognized institution in America, India, South Africa and Australia. So rapidly has the sport extended in the last few years that it would seem the next 50 may see the racing of homing pigeons recognized as the world's great sport.

The great ambition of the northern fancier is to fly 500 miles in the day. This, up to the present, has not been accomplished, although birds have been home well before breakfast the morning after liberation, having flown upward of 550 miles. The performance can, however, readily be done on a favorable day, and many fanciers in and about London accomplished the route from Thurso, N. B., the winning bird flying 501 miles, with an average velocity of 1,454 yards per minute for the entire distance. These 500 mile performances in the day are quite common in Belgium, and the distance has also been covered in America.

You may search the whole annals of athletic performances or feats of strength, and, as far as it is possible to contrast two distinct things, the homing pigeon will go one better than the best of them. Take this as an everyday example: Birds are liberated at, say, Ventnor, to fly 200 miles into the north of England, and the wind is blowing at the rate of upward of a mile a minute dead against them, and yet dozens of the birds will be in their lofts under 400 minutes. The day may be cold, and a sleet storm or two may have to be encountered, but the result will be the same. If the day is such that the birds cannot see their way, but have to feel it, and the wind bloweth from the quarter that is neither good for man nor beast, then comes "the winter of our discontent;" we shall find the winning bird's velocity reduced to about 700 yards per minute and have a bare 5 per cent of the liberated birds home the same day. These are the races to be won, and these are "the good 'uns to breed from" and to perpetuate the wonderful pluck and stamina of the homing pigeon.—Badminton Magazine.

Shoes In Japan.

One of the most striking sights that take the attention of the traveler in Japan is that of the wooden sandal worn by the 35,000,000 of people. These sandals have a separate compartment for the great toe and make a clanking noise on the streets. Straw slippers are also worn, and a traveler starting out on a journey will strap a supply of them on his back, that he may put on a new pair when the old is worn out. They cost but a cent and a half a pair. They are rights and lefts and leave the foot free to the air. We never see those deformities of the foot in Japan which are so frequent in this country. They are never worn in the house, but left outside the door. Passing down a street, you may see long rows of them at the doors, old and new, large and small.—Boston Journal.

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American Life Insurance.

In no country is the business of life insurance on a sounder or more conservative basis than in the United States. There were some attempts made in the early years of the century to start life insurance companies, but life insurance was not popular in those days, it being regarded by many, as the quaint remark of a writer of the period puts it, as "wicked to insure their lives, or to travel in steamboats against wind and tide." The three largest companies at present doing business began in 1841, 1843 and 1859.

The remarkable development in the business began after the civil war, and it has grown with an unexampled progress. The great conservative life insurance companies stood the shock of the financial convulsions of 1873 and 1893 better than other financial institutions, and the words of the famous mathematician, De Morgan, still remain true, "There is nothing in the commercial world which approaches, even remotely, the security of a well established life office." The three large companies receive annually in premiums and other income about $100,000,000, their assets aggregate about $600,000,000, and they have outstanding insurance to the amount of about $2,400,000,000. The natural presumption arising from a study of the development of such an enterprise is that to have maintained its place in the great field of competition it must have subserved a purpose of great benefit to society.—Catholic World.

Queer Things About Fishes.

Mr. A. E. Verrill describes the ways in which fishes sleep. They are very light sleepers and frequently assume singular positions. But the most remarkable thing is the change of color many of them undergo while asleep. Usually their spots and stripes become darker and more distinct when they fall asleep. Occasionally the pattern of their coloration is entirely changed. The ordinary porgy, for instance, presents in the daytime beautiful irridescent hues playing over its silvery sides, but at night, on falling asleep, it takes on a dull bronze tint, and six conspicuous black bands make their appearance on its sides. If it is suddenly awakened by the turning up of the gas in the aquarium, it immediately resumes the silvery color that it shows by daylight. Mr. Verrill ascribes these changes to the principle of "protective coloration," and points out that the appearance of black bands and the deepening of the spots serve to conceal the fish from their enemies when lying amid eelgrass and seaweeds.—Youth's Companion.

His Experience.

Smithers—You do the captain an injustice when you say he has never been under fire.

Smothers—Tut, tut! When has he been?

Smithers—I have seen his enemies heap coals of fire upon his head more than once. — Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Men are born with two eyes, but with one tongue, in order that they should see twice as much as they say.—Colton.

Wholesale Prices Current.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		6½	6¾
Standard		6	7½
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12	@	14
Sides ℔ ℔	6	@	7
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	@	6¾
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	5½	@	5¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔	4½	@	5¼
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 00	@	1 10
New New York, each	1 35	@	1 40
New City, each	1 30	@	1 40
BEESWAX ℔ ℔	23	@	23
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	6 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	10	@	16
Northern	18	@	26
CORN MEAL—			
Per Bushel, in sacks		@	45½
Virginia Meal		@	45½
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		@	75
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	10
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	11	@	12½
Dairy, Cream	12	@	13
State		@	10
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	20	@	
Rio	8½	@	11
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch	18	@	20
EGGS—℔ dozen	8½	@	9
FISH—			
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ half-barrel	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ half-barrel	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 00	@	3 50
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 75	@	6 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
Extra	3 25	@	3 50
FLOUR—℔ barrel—			
Low grade	3 00	@	3 25
Choice	3 50	@	3 60
Straight	4 25	@	4 50
First Patent		@	5 00
GLUE—℔ ℔—	7½	@	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bags—White,		@	45
Car load, in bags—White,		@	45
Oats, from store		@	30
Oats, Rust Proof	35	@	40
Cow Peas	60	@	65
HIDES, ℔ ℔—			
Green		@	6
Dry		@	8
HAY, ℔ 100 ℔—			
Clover Hay	80	@	85
Rice Straw		@	50
Eastern		@	1 00
Western	90	@	95
North River		@	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1½	@	2
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	5½	@	6
North Carolina	5	@	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed), ℔ M feet—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—			
Barbados, in hhds		@	36
" in bbls		@	38
Porto Rico, in hhds		@	30
" in bbls		@	35
Sugar-House, in hhds	13	@	14
" in bbls	14	@	15
Syrup, in bbls	13	@	15
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut 60d basis	1 50	@	1 60
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	9 00
Rump		@	8 75
Prime		@	8 75
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@	12
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	75
Liverpool		@	80
Lisbon		@	
American	40	@	50
℔ Os 100 ℔ Sacks		@	80
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ℔ M—			
Common	1 50	@	2 00
Cypress Saps	2 50	@	3 00
SUGAR, ℔ ℔— Standard Granu'd		@	5¾
Standard A		@	5¾
White Ex. C		@	5½
Extra C, Golden		@	5
C, Yellow		@	4¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½	@	6
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	7 00
Mill, Prime		@	6 50
Mill, Fair	5 50	@	4 50
Common Mill	4 00	@	3 50
Inferior to Ordinary		@	3 00
SHINGLES, N. C. Cypress sawed ℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50	@	8 00
" Sap	6 00	@	6 50
5x24 Heart	4 50	@	5 00
" Sap	4 00	@	4 50
5x20 Heart	5 00	@	5 50
" Sap	3 50	@	4 00
TALLOW, ℔ ℔	4	@	4½
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon—Northern	1 20	@	2 25
North Carolina	1 20	@	2 25
WOOL ℔ ℔—Unwashed	9	@	12

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, August 7.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market quiet at 34½ cents per gallon for machine-made casks, and 24 cents for country casks.

ROSIN—Market steady at $1 20 per bbl for Strained and $1 25 for Good Strained.

TAR.—Market quiet at $1.15 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quiet; $1.80 per barrel for Hard, $1.80 for Yellow Dip and 1.90 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine steady, 21¾, 20¾c; rosin firm, $1 82½, 1 37½; tar firm, $1 00; crude turpentine quiet, $1 20, 1 55, 1 65.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	231
Rosin	889
Tar	44
Crude Turpentine	63

Receipts same day last year—355 casks spirits turpentine, 1,389 bbls rosin, 110 bbls tar, 80 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 8c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5⅝	cts ℔ lb
Good Ordinary	7	" "
Low Middling	7⅝	" "
Middling	8	" "
Good Middling	8 5-16	" "

Same day last year, middling 7½c.

Receipts—8 bales; same day last year, 3.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 60@65c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 70c; Fancy, 80c. Virginia—Extra Prime, 45@50c; Fancy, 50c.

CORN—Firm; 43@46 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—65@70 cents per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 8 to 9c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c; Sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven inch; $3.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $5.00 to 8.50 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7—Evening.—Money on call was quoted easy at 1@1½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4 per cent. Sterling exchange was weak; actual business in bankers' bills at 486¼@486½ for demand; 484¼@484¾ for sixty days. Posted rates 485@487 and 487@488. Commercial bills 484¼. Silver certificates ——. Government bonds were firm; twos, registered, 97½; fours, registered, 111¾; fours, coupon, 112½; new fours, registered, 125½; new fours, coupon, 125½; fives, registered, 113½; fives, coupon, 113¾. State bonds dull; North Carolina sixes 126; North Carolina fours 103½. Railroad bonds strong.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—Rosin quiet; strained common to good $1 55@1 60. Spirits turpentine quiet at 27½@28.

CHARLESTON, Aug. 7.—Spirits turpentine firm at 24c bid; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales 300 barrels; A, B, C, D $1 20, E $1 20, F $1 25, G $1 30 H $1 45, I, $1 50, K $1 55, M $1 55, N $1 75, W G $1 90; W W $2 20.

SAVANNAH, Aug. 6.—Spirits turpentine firm at 25c; sales 1,543 casks; receipts 595 casks. Rosin steady; sales 1,838 barrels; receipts 3 402 barrels; quotations: A, B, C, D $1 20, E $1 20, F $1 30, G $1 35, H $1 50, I $1 50, K $1 55, M $1 60, N $1 85, W G $2 05, W W $2 30.

COTTON MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, August 7.—The cotton market opened steady at an advance of 1@2 points, following more favorable cables than expected from Liverpool and was also helped by encouraging accounts from Fall River and the dry goods district. Following the first call the market turned easier under liquidation in the absence of outside speculative support and under more favorable accounts from the cotton belt, the notable exception being Texas, over the greater portion of which dry weather continues and the plant is said to be suffering for want of moisture. Following the call, the market declined 2@6 points and closed steady at a net decline of 2 to 5 points.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—Evening.—Cotton quiet; middling 8c.

Cotton futures market closed steady; sales 19,300 bales; Jan'y 7 14, Feb'y 7 18, March 7 21, April 7 24, May 7 27, July —, August 7 55, September 7 27, October 7 13, November 7 77, December 7 10.

Cotton—net receipts — bales; gross 641 bales; exports to Great Britain —— bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent —— bales; forwarded 313 bales; sales —— bales; sales to spinners 184 bales; stock (actual) 58,219 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 342 bales; exports to Great Britain —— bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent —— bales; stock 87,278 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 6,617,957 bales; exports to Great Britain 3,008,116 bales; exports to France 699,355 bales; exports to the Continent 3,141,109 bales; to the Channel 5,481 bales.

Aug. 7.—Galveston, steady at 7¾, net receipts — bales; Norfolk, steady at 8¼, net receipts — bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8¼, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 8

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A writer in the Washington Post says that an old lady used to tell with delight of an occasion on which she went with a kinswoman to dine with Mr. and Mrs. John Quincy Adams. The table was beautifully set in the fashion of the times, and at Mr. Adams' place lay a four tined silver fork. The other persons at table had merely the two pronged forks then in use.

Mrs. Adams apologized for her husband's little eccentricity, saying that in his long sojourn in France he had acquired the habit of eating with his fork, a habit of which he had been unable to break himself.

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And day drags slow
To eyes and lips and heart that miss you so.

Sweetheart, beyond the night
That hides your dear lost form from mortal sight
Send me one word
Or sign that my soul's lonely cry is heard.

Sweetheart, not clasping hand
I ask, but I would know and understand
If it may be
One waiting spirit looks and longs for me.

—J. L. Heaton in "The Quilting Bee."

AT THE LIGHTHOUSE.

I got a job with a lighthouse keeper. I'd been in a lighthouse before. It was no new thing to me, but after I'd been there a few hours I wondered what my master hired me for. It was like being pensioned off. There was nothing to do.

But, mark ye, when it came night, and the wind began to moan about the lighthouse, and the lamps were lit, and all outside was black as pitch, and all the sound we heard was the swash, swash, swash of the waves, my master mixed some grog and called me to sit along with him. That looked sociable, but I can't say he did.

He sat glowering over his glass for awhile and opening his mouth as if to speak and shutting it again. Then said he:

"What's your name?"

"Ben Dare," said I.

"Would you mind calling yourself Brace?" he asked.

"I've no reason to be ashamed of my name," said I.

"Look here," said he, "I am a gentleman born and bred. I never came to earning my bread before. I'm ashamed of it. This is what I mean: If any strangers come out here and ask for William Brace, why, you say you are the man. You claim to be lighthouse keeper. It's easy. I don't suppose much company will call, but I choose not to see them, if they do. That's what I hired you for."

"Oh!" said I.

"You see," said he, "I got this place through a rich man who had influence. Those who gave it to me never saw me. If I die some day, why, here you are in the place. If I go off, and I may, here you are still until then. I'll pay you well, and you know your duties."

"Well, it's shamming," said I; "but, after all, what does any one care what my name is? And what shall I call you?"

"Call me nothing," said he. "Call me captain, as you did when I met you, but never speak of me to any one."

Gentleman or no, he wasn't lazy. He didn't care how he worked. The lamps were as bright as jewels. There wasn't a speck of dirt in the whole tower.

But, let any boat come nigh us, away he went and hid himself and came out with a white, scared face and a shaking hand.

At night he was afraid to go up to the lamps alone, and he'd look over his shoulder and turn white as we stood there together.

At last he took a new turn. He sat staring at a corner for awhile. Then he spoke to me in a low voice:

"Brace, do you believe in ghosts?"

"I hain't considered the question," I answered.

"Well," said he softer than before, "look into the corner." And he pointed.

I looked.

"Don't you see anything?" he asked.

"No," said I. "No, cappen."

"Ah," he muttered, "very well, very well! I'm glad you don't."

But that wasn't anything to what happened the very next night.

We slept in two bunks nigh each other, and naturally, when he woke up with a yell, I woke too.

He was shrieking and shaking and wringing his hands.

"The woman, the woman!" he said. "She stood here just now, all red with blood. It dripped down the white ruffles. It dripped on her hands. Stop her! Stop her! She has gone to call them! Stop her! Stop her!"

"Where did she go?" I asked.

He stared at me with his wide open eyes, all the whites showing, below and above.

"She couldn't have been here," said he. "It was a dream."

"Lord love you, a nightmare," said I.

So we went asleep again, but I heard of the woman so often after that that I grew used to her.

The cappen, as I called him, got to be worse and worse every day. I wanted to go ashore and fetch the doctor, but he would not hear to it. He raved if I tried to leave him.

At last there came a hot, hot night in June. It was burning hot all day and a dead calm at night.

About dark the cappen went to sleep, and I went and sat where I could see the water and the lights ashore. It was so still that I could hear the sailors in a Spanish ship moored not far away singing in their foreign lingo.

And I was sort of quiet and dreamylike when something happened that waked me mighty wide and sudden. Something was standing on the steps below me—something white. Something came toward me.

It was a little slender figure, with long hair all about its shoulders. I couldn't see its face. I don't think I really saw it plainly at all, but it went past me softly while I looked, and I knew it was a woman in a white ruffled gown, and that she had gone to the room where my master lay.

I shook too hard for a moment to move, but as soon as I could I started up to go to him. Just then a voice cried:

"Lighthouse, ahoy!"

I answered, "Aye, aye!" and stopped a bit. Duty first of all things with a sailor.

A boat lay at the foot of the steps, and four men jumped out of it.

"We want William Brace, keeper of this lighthouse," said one, a big man in a linen overcoat.

"I'm one that answers to the name," says I.

He swung a lantern over my head.

"Search the place, my men," said he.

There was no use saying anything, but I did try to stop them.

"I've got a sick fri

"Don't disturb him. I'm afraid the woman will skeer him anyhow, he's so low."

"What woman?" said he.

"The one that came aboard with you, sir," said I.

"No woman came with us," he snarled. "Stand aside. Men, do your duty."

They went up stairs. I followed. I saw them walk into the cappen's room. I heard them cry out and stand still. When I got to the door, they stood in a row, looking down on the bed. I looked too. Man nor woman couldn't frighten the cappen more. He was dead.

"What has he done?" I asked the officer.

"Killed his wife," said he; "that's all. No doubt she deserved it, but it's not allowed by law when they do."

"God help him!" said I.—Exchange.

DOLLY'S MISTAKE.

"Take care of yourself, Dolly, and don't get astray at Dartmoor."

"My dear aunt, when once Tiger goes off, he never loses sight of the hounds, so unless the whole pack goes astray I shall be all right."

Dolly Lacy was a fascinating little woman, full of pluck and daring, of love and gentleness. Men adored her as a woman and delighted in her as a good comrade who never fettered them in the field or fussed at them if they smoked in her drawing room. One man did more than adore and delight in her, and that was Arthur Talbot, a captain in the regiment of which Dolly's husband was the colonel.

He betrayed himself to her one day, and after that there was nothing for it but for him to exchange. He had now been in India for five years, and Dolly had been a widow four and had never heard again from Captain Talbot.

She was staying now with her uncle and aunt, an old admiral and his wife, and the reason she had volunteered to visit them just now was this: She had seen that four companies of the Red Rangers, under the command of Major Talbot, were to arrive in Plymouth in a trooper that was due in about a week, so she had come down with her hunter, Tiger, and the trooper had arrived, and still she had neither seen nor heard anything of Major Talbot.

There were dozens of men from the different regiments in the garrison, and once or twice she thought she saw him. Once she could have sworn to the turn of his head. Once again she caught a fleeting vision of a man who might have been Arthur's father, the likeness was so strong. Oddly enough, this elderly likeness of her life was interested in her.

"Who's that woman on the brown bay?" he asked of another man.

"The woman on the brown bay?" repeated the local informant. "She is the daughter or the niece or something of the old admiral."

"Who's the old admiral?" the elderly likeness of Talbot persisted, while a lady with a high polished forehead who was riding with him interposed.

"My dear, what can it matter to you who either the woman or her uncle is? What a time they are finding the fox! I think I have had enough of this kind of sport. I shall go home. You won't mind coming, will you, dear?"

"I think not. I've not had a run with the Dartmoor hounds for many a long day. You can take Jenkins with you. I shall follow."

They soon went away at racing speed. Dolly, in the excitement of being well up to hounds in a strange country, forgot the elderly likeness to her lover, forgot everything, in fact, save that Tiger was carrying her rippingly. A bit of bright emerald green flashed into view. Tiger rose to it as if it had been a hurdle, jumped short and sank to his hind quarters in one of Dartmoor's most paralyzing bogs.

Dolly slipped from her saddle into a whirlpool of mud that presently touched her to her waist. Tiger clambered out and was galloping wildly backward and forward, flinging his head up and whinnying with all his might to call attention to the dire distress of the rider.

"See that horse galloping by us?" the local informant asked presently of the elderly likeness of Arthur Talbot. "He's riderless, by Jove! The woman you were asking me about must be bogged."

He caught at Tiger's rein as the latter swooped by, and the little horse, after a kick and plunge or two, lagged and hung back in the opposite direction.

"Let the horse lead us," said the man who looked like Arthur Talbot, but older. "For heaven's sake, make haste, man, or we may be too late."

"Probably we are," the other man said coolly. "Mrs. Lacy is a well plucked one. She'd hold on to the last. When she slipped from Tiger, she was probably near the finish."

"Mrs. Lacy!"

"Yes, old Burroughs' niece. Didn't I tell you she was a pretty widow, rich and free as air and as sweet as the freshest air that blows?"

Tiger, released, galloped back to where he had left his mistress. She was up to her shoulders now, half dead with terror. But in a moment Arthur Talbot recognized the sweet, panic stricken face and the tiny hands that were beating the air in such a futile, frantic fashion.

"Dolly!" he cried. He was off his horse, holding out his arms to her. She felt herself drawn out from the embrace of the grasping mud. Saturated with mud as she was, she flung her arms around his neck as her feet reached firm ground, and with a little whimper of intense happiness she sobbed out:

"My own darling Arthur, I'm so cramped. Do hold me tight. I thought you were by me just now when you came to the meet, but I was puzzled by the ugly woman with the bony forehead who called you 'dear.' I'll tell you, I'd willingly be bogged again tomorrow to be saved by you," she said gayly. "You must come home with me now and be introduced to my uncle, Admiral Burroughs, and my aunt."

"We have always been the best friends, and my esteem for you"—

"Best friends—esteem!" she interrupted. "I dare not feel or express any stronger feeling. There is a barrier"—

"A barrier? No! My husband died four years ago. There is no dishonor now in your loving me. Nothing can come between us"—

"Excepting Mrs. Arthur Talbot," he cut in confusedly. "Dolly, I was mad with love for you, frightfully hard up, and she and her dollars came in the way"—

"She is the woman with the forehead I spoke of as bony."

"She is."

"I am sorry you pulled me out of the bog, Major Talbot."

Then she waved her hand to him and rode away, leaving him with the pleasing reflection that he had spoiled the life of a woman who had been weak enough to love and be faithful to him through five long, mistaken years.—Exchange.

The Force of Habit.

Brooklyn contains more people who look to see that which does not exist, and which they know does not exist, than any city in the world. And it is simply because of habit. Nearly all the railroads in that city, in the older part of the city, or Brooklyn as it was before Williamsburg was annexed and assimilated, converge at the city hall, and until two or three years ago the town clock was in the cupola of that building. During the many years that it announced the time by bell and indicated it on its four dials to the Brooklynites every person who passed "the hall" looked to see what time it was. The habit became an instinct to most Brooklynites, and today, although they know that fire destroyed the cupola, clock and all, there is hardly a person who steps from a car at the City Hall square or passes the building who does not look inquiringly toward the spot where the clock was but is not.—New York Times.

The First Astronomy.

The beginnings of astronomy were on the tops of towers of Babylon and the pyramids of Egypt. It is believed by many writers that both classes of structures were erected for astronomical purposes. As early as the time of Job, nearly 2,000 years before Christ, most of the stars had been divided into constellations. The writer of Job mentions Arcturus, Orion and Pleiades as being familiar. The modern science dates from the labors of Copernicus, Tycho, Brahe and Newton.

Saved by a Sausage.

It is possible to overestimate the courage of a robber, as may be seen by this story by Judge Seymour D. Thompson, given in the St. Louis Republic:

McNab was the hero of a hairbreadth escape. It was in Canada, where McNab, a brawny Scotchman, was a fellow colporteur of my father, the Rev. Seymour Thompson.

The two became separated on the night of McNab's adventure. The Scotchman was riding through a forest unarmed. He had a package of Bibles on one side of his saddle and on the other a string of frozen sausages, which were to be thawed and cooked for his breakfast. A highwayman stopped McNab's reflections and his progress at the same time.

The Scotchman was frightened. He never denied that. He had a little money in his boot, and he leaned over to remove the boot and satisfy the demand of the robber. His hand struck against the frozen sausages. He bethought himself of these. Perhaps they would be accepted instead of money.

He broke one of them in two and was about to offer half of it to the highwayman, when suddenly he found himself alone and heard the clatter of a horse's rapidly retreating hoofs. Badly frightened as he was, McNab laughed. The robber had mistaken the cracking of the sausage for the cooking of a pistol and had fled.

A Mouse's Quarter Century Run.

A wheelman hung his bicycle from the ceiling of his cellar and not far from a swinging shelf on which food was kept. A mouse jumped from the wall on to the tire of the front wheel, evidently hoping thereby to reach the shelf. The wheel started, and mousie naturally ran toward the highest part of it. It was able to stay on the top of the tire, but couldn't get enough of a foothold to jump to the wall. When found next morning, the mouse was very much exhausted, though still running. The cylometer showed that it had traveled over 28 miles.—Albany Express.

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Leave Hamlet	7 13 p m	*6 10pm
Leave Rockingham	7 30 p m	5 23am
Leave Wadesboro	8 11 p m	5 54am
Leave Marshville	8 48 p m	6 25am
Arrive Monroe	9 13 p m	6 48am
Leave Monroe	9 35 p m	7 00am
Arrive Charlotte	10 35 p m	7 50am
Arrive Mt. Holly	.....	9 30am
Arrive Lincolnton	.....	10 30am
Arrive Shelby	.....	11 18pm
Arrive Ellenboro	.....	11 58pm
Arrive Rutherfordton	.....	12 38pm
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Leave Ellenboro	.....	5 15pm
Leave Shelby	.....	5 50pm
Leave Lincolnton	.....	6 56pm
Leave Mt. Holly	.....	7 58pm
Leave Charlotte	*6 10 am	9 25pm
Arrive Monroe	5 55 am	9 10pm
Leave Monroe	6 05 am	9 40pm
Leave Marshville	6 38 am	.....
Leave Wadesboro	7 01 am	10 31pm
Leave Rockingham	7 41 am	11 06pm
Arrive Hamlet	7 55 am	11 20pm
Leave Hamlet	8 40 am	.....
Leave Laurinburg	8 45 am	.....
Leave Maxton	9 05 am	.....
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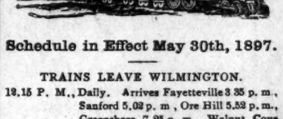

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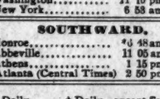

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DAILY 5.45 P M — No. 49—Passenger—Leave †Boston 1.05 p m, *New York 9.00 p m, Philadelphia 12.05 a m, Baltimore 3.50 a m, Washington 4.30 a m, Richmond 9.05 a m, Petersburg 10.00 a m, Norfolk 8.40 a m, Weldon 11.50 a m, Tarboro 12.12 p m, Rocky Mount 12.45 p m, Wilson 2.12 p m, Goldsboro 3.10 p m, Warsaw 4.08 p m, Magnolia 4.16 p m.

DAILY 9.30 a m — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 a m, Philadelphia 12.09 p m, Baltimore 3.25 p m, Washington 5.46 p m, Richmond 7.30 p m, Petersburg 8.12 p m, †Norfolk 2.20 p m, Weldon 9.43 p m, †Tarboro 6.01 p m, Rocky Mount 5.45 a m, leave Wilson 8.30 a m, Goldsboro 7.01 a m, Warsaw 7.53 a m, Magnolia 8.05 a m.

DAILY — No. 61—Passenger—Leave Newbern 12 40 a m 9 20 a m, Jacksonville 10 45 a m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 12.15 p m — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.00 a m, Sanford 1.50 p m, Jacksonville 3 35 p m Savannah 12.50 night, Charleston 5.30 a m, Columbia 8.50 a m, Atlanta 2.30 a m, Macon 9.30 a m, Augusta 3.05 p m, Denmark 4.55 p m, Sumter 6.45 a m, Florence 8.55 a m, Marion 9.34 a m, Chadb

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SUNDAY MORNING, AUG. 8, 1897

YUKON GOLD REGION.

REPORT OF A GEOLOGICAL SURVEY EXPERT.

Plenty of Room for Prospectors and Miners —The Price for Labor—Mining Laws.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, August 7.—The report on the Yukon gold region by Josiah Edward Spurr, the geological survey expert, who headed a party that made a thorough investigation in Alaska last Summer, giving new facts about the interior, was made public to-day. It is a comprehensive document and reviews in detail the work in the various districts. It says as to the forty-mile gold district, that in the latter part of 1887 Franklin gulch was struck, and the first year the creek is estimated to have produced $4,000. Ever since it has been a constant payer.

The discovery of Davis creek and a stampede from Franklin gulch followed in the spring of 1888. In 1891 gold mining in the interior, as well as on the coast at Silver Bow basin and Treadwell, received a great impetus. The event of 1893 was the discovery of Miller creek. In the spring of 1898 many new claims were staked, and it is estimated that eighty men took out $100,000. Since then Miller creek has been the heaviest producer of the Forty-mile district, and until recently of the whole Yukon. Its entire length lies in British possessions.

The output for 1893, as given by the mint director for the Alaskan creeks, all but Miller creek being in American possession, was $198,000, with a mining population of 196. The total amount produced by the Yukon placers in 1894 was double that of the previous year. In 1895 the output had doubled again. Following is the report on the Klondyke district.

"With the announcement of gold here in the interior in 1896-97 there was a genuine stampede to the new region. Forty-mile was almost deserted. But 350 men spent the Winter on Klondyke, in the gulches and at the new town of Dawson. The more important parts of the district are on Bonanza and Hunker creeks. According to latest information 400 claims had been located up to January 1st, 1897; about half as many on Hunker creek.

"There is plenty of room for many more prospectors and miners, for the gulches and creeks which have shown good prospects are spread over an area of 700 square miles. The estimated Alaskan gold production for 1896, made by the Spurr report, is $1,400 000."

The report points out the difficulties in the way of speedy development of the country. First, the climate, with short Summer season and long Winter. Prospecting is done in the Winter and more and more every year, because the frozen ground renders travelling over the swamp, mossy country more easy, and the miners thus able to begin work with the first Spring thaw. "Whatever Alaska may be in the future, it is not self-supporting agriculturally. Moose, caribou and bear are variable in quantity, abundant sometimes and disappearing from the region for twelve months at a time. Ten dollars a day is the general wages paid; $12 for a day of ten hours being paid in some of the more remote gulches. In Winter the price for labor is $6 to $8 per day of six hours. Many times the miners have been at the point of starvation, and hardly a Winter when they have not been put on a ration basis. Universal suffrage is given and all have an equal vote. Penalties include: For stealing, banishment from the country and also whipping; threatening with weapons, the same; murders, hanging; but there have been no murders so far."

The mining laws differ for different gulches. Generally, the claim is for 500 feet for gulch diggings from rimrock, but in some gulches not paying well an effort is being made to stake claims 1,320 feet long. Crowded creeks are staked, 300 feet to the claim, and no man is allowed to stake more than one claim in his own name, save the discoverer, who is allowed 1 000 feet. The only officer in the republic of miners is the recorder, appointed by popular vote, one in each gulch or creek.

AMERICAN WHEELMEN.

The Great National Meet in Philadelphia Closed — Good Racing by Professionals and Amateurs.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 7.—The greatest race meet in the history of American cycling came to an end this evening at Willow Grove Park, when the eighteenth national meet of the League of American Wheelmen closed. During the two days of racing, nearly 45,000 persons watched, while the cracks from all parts of the United States, two from Mexico, and the Canadian crack, Loughead, strove for fame and prizes. Yesterday's attendance, 15,000, was very nearly doubled to-day.

Fred L. Loughead, the Barnia, Ontario, lad who carried off the honors yesterday, kept up his fine work to-day but little Earl Kisar landed on top, winning the half-mile professional and the great mile open professional. A purse of $500 was divided among the winners of the latter race. Eddie Bald also added to his reputation and while no firsts appear to his credit, yet his seconds in the mile open and five-mile professional finals were within a hair's breadth of being firsts. In each and every race in which he competed he displayed remarkable judgment.

Among the amateurs there was much good racing, and Peabody, Eddie Llewellyn and Chas. M. Ertz put up the finest exhibition. In most of the amateur events the riding was close, and in but few instances did the boys show any evidence of loafing.

After the scheduled events had been run off Fred Schade, the Virginia amateur, succeeded in breaking the world's record for one-third of a mile. Schade was paced by two quads, and got away beautifully. He hugged the quad closely, and finished in a terrific pace of 39 4-5 seconds, lowering Porter's record 34 1-5 seconds, made in 1894.

In addition to this, there were a number of trials at the world's record for the one-mile amatuer professional. Church had the three laps in 1 48 3-5, and but for the second pacing team's slowness, would have chopped at least two seconds off the time he made. Major Taylor had the next try with a quad and then a triplet, as pace makers. The Major crossed the tape in 1.45 3 5.

Johnny Zimmerman rode an exhibition half mile in 53 2 5 seconds, and Arthur Gardiner, paced by quads, did a mile in 1.44. This brought the racing to a close. To night the wheelmen own the town.

The National Democratic association of colored men is called to meet in convention at Columbus, Ohio, on September 23rd.

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FLOODS IN GERMANY.

GREAT LOSS OF LIFE AND DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY.

Hotel and Its Occupants Buried in a Land-Slide—Complaint Against the New U. S. Tariff—Nihilists Threaten Emperor William—Fatal Accidents on Race Courses.

[Special London Cable Letter.]

BERLIN, August 7.—The cloudbursts and inundations which have devastated the eastern parts of Germany were the worst which have occurred since 1870. According to the local statistics, one hundred and five persons were killed in Silesia alone, and in Saxony the number of killed will not fall short of one hundred and eighty. The financial losses foot up over 150,000,000 marks. At Pillnitz, the country residence of the Queen of Saxony, the river Elbe rose so fast that it flooded the lower floor of the royal castle, forcing the king and queen to hurriedly flee from the place and seek refuge at Dresden. Prince Hohenlohe, the Imperial Chancellor, who was then on his way from his estate at Ausea to Berlin, had to leave the train at Aussig, and was conveyed ten miles in a sedan chair to another railroad station.

Through a landslide of the highest summit of the Siberiva mountains, the Hotel Schneekopfe was carried down and buried with all its occupants.

Emperor Frances Joseph, of Austria, has granted thirty thousand florins from his private purse for the relief of the sufferers and the Queen of Saxony has granted 30,000 marks and the Regent of Bavaria 15,000 marks for the same purpose. Emperor William of Germany has not yet made a donation to the people who have suffered from the floods, etc., in the eastern parts of the country, although he has given 25,000 marks to the flood sufferers in Alsace. The newspapers are calling for special sessions of the Reichstag and Diet; in order that these bodies may make extraordinary grants of money for the relief of the suffering families; but, as the suggestion was first made by the Vorwaerts, and other Socialist newspapers it is being discouraged by the government. The municipality of Berlin has granted 500,000 marks for the relief of the thousands of people rendered homeless and penniless by the storms and the city of Dresden has voted 300,000 marks for the same good work.

The German newspapers continue to discuss the new United States tariff, and they call for reprisals; but the correspondent of the Associated Press learns from the foreign office that the government of Germany has no intention of beginning a tariff war. A high official of the foreign office said to the correspondent: "There will be no tariff war, since Germany is too weak to carry it out, and because a large part of American imports of food stuffs, as well as cotton and other raw materials are indispensable to our industry. The formation of a large continental tariff union with its ram pointed at the United States would miscarry, because of England's opposition. As a matter of fact, our hands are tied, and even Baron Von Thielmann (the German ambassador to the United States, who has been named as the successor of Count Posadewsky-Wehner as imperial secretary of state for the treasury), though his advice and intimate knowledge of the American tariff an financial affairs would be of great help to us during the coming crisis, cannot change the facts in the case."

Palpable effects of the new tariff are already noticeable. The manufacturers of Solingen are complaining of lack of orders and many of the factories have been compelled to reduce the number of hands employed. In the Guban and Cheminz districts there is already much industrial distress. Similar complaints are made elsewhere.

The Florists' Association has sent a memorial to the Imperial Chancellor, protesting against the tariff as seriously injuring the export trade of seeds and plants during the last few weeks.

Before starting for Russia Emperor William received a number of threatening letters from Nihilists and Pan-Slavists. In consequence of this, one of the shrewdest criminal commissioners, Dr. Henninger, with a section of the Berlin political police, was sent to Peterhof palace a week ahead of Emperor William, and this corps of detectives will accompany him everywhere during his stay in Russia.

The past week has witnessed a number of fatal accidents on race courses, among the number Count Von Fech, a wealthy gentleman rider and at one time the friend of the Barrison sisters, and Lieutenant Bartels, also a gentleman rider, were killed during a race at Kreuznach. At the Heuss races the most successful gentleman rider in Germany, Lieutenant Von Kayser, was killed, and Captain Von Suernemdt was seriously injured. Two jockeys also met accidental deaths.

General Nelson A. Miles, U. S. A., arrived here from Carlsbad on Tuesday. He is receiving many official courtesies. The General visited the extensive Gruson works at Magdeburg and was granted permission to inspect the government works at Spandau, and the naval yards at Kiel, as well as some of the barracks and the Krupp works at Essen.

The Japanese Government has ordered from the Vulcan works a battleship of 9,000 tons, which is to cost 18,000,000 marks.

Ambassador White gives a positive denial of the rumors that he is to succeed Mr. Sherman as Secretary of State. Mr. White says no overtures have been made to him since his arrival in Berlin.

LONDON, August 7.—The leading question in continental political circles is, will the visit of Emperor William of Germany to St. Petersburg result in a German-Russian-French understanding directed against Great Britain. Such a consummation is undoubtedly devoutly wished for in Germany, where the denunciation of the treaty of commerce between Great Britain and Germany has rekindled Anglo-phobism. The Deutsche *Zeitung* voices the general hope, saying: "The Emperor will achieve imperishable renown if he succeeds in creating an alliance aiming at the annihilation of England's power.

POSTMASTERS

Of the Fourth Class Appointed in North Carolina.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, August 7.—The following fourth class postmasters were appointed to-day:

North Carolina—Absbers, W. D. Woodruff; Alfordsville, A. L. Bullock; Arden, C. F. Summer; Bismark, L. E. Barber; Blowing Rock, W. P. Laws; Blaine, J. F. Russell, Cagles Mill, W. L. Cornelison; California Creek, A. F. Spriadle; Cleveland, J. L. Barringer; Danville, A. A. Foust; Fall Creek, E. C. Phillips; Fork Church, A. M. Foster; Gladstone, A. K. Miller; Harper's Cross Roads, Samuel Cox; Harrisville, M. A. Ewing; Lisk, L. A. McAllister; Lockville, J. A. Parham; Merry Oaks, N. G. Gunter; Old Dock, M. C. Marlow; Ore Hill, E. C. Cheek; Pedlars Hill, G. A. Smith; Peru, Alma Tendland; Rosedale, J. F. Jones; Sapona, McW. Barber; Turnersburg, J. E. Hendren; Wadeville, N. H. Hurley; Yokley, W. R. Padgett.

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COAL MINERS STRIKE.

Strikers Gaining Accessions to Their Ranks —Demonstration to be Made on Washington Run Mines—The Uniformity Agreement—Break in the Kanawha Mines — Coal Trains Heavily Guarded.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PITTSBURG, August 7.—Strikers are continuing orderly and are gaining accessions to their ranks constantly. The 150 men employed at the Horner and Roberts coal mine at Elizabeth refused to go to work this morning; about seventy-five miners at the Equitable mines in the same locality also struck. Both mines were paying the district rate. The Bunola men who were persuaded to come out last evening all remained away from the pit to-day and no coal was mined. The company leased the ground where the miners located yesterday and ousted them, but another field has been secured by the strikers and permanent camp will be established. It is reported that an effort will be made to start the mine Monday morning. The strikers are preparing for the struggle and by 9 o'clock Monday morning 1,000 men probably will be in camp here. This closes down all the mines of the first, second and third pools. Twelve recruits from the Plum Creek mine joined the strikers to-day and a number consented to remain at home.

When it was found that but few men were going to work at Plum Creek this morning, deputy sheriffs were dispatched to the houses of the men and they were drummed out and escorted to the mine. The company claims that this mine was working full to-day and that the usual amount of coal was loaded.

Simultaneously with the move on the Westmoreland county mines next week, a demonstration will be made against the Washington Run mines in Fayette county. More than 400 miners are organized in Fayette City, ready to march. A committee from Fayette City will meet Dolan to-night, and if he consents the march will be made Monday.

Counsel for the New York and Cleveland Gas Coal Company has prepared a bill to be presented to Judge M. W. Acheson, of the U. S. Circuit Court, on behalf of the non-resident stockholders of the Coal Company, asking for an injunction to restrain the striking miners from congregating near the mines at Turtle Creek, Sandy Creek and Plum Creek, and from interfering with the workmen of the company. This new move is being made for the purpose of getting the aid of the United States marshal as well as the sheriff of Allegheny county, to break up the camps the strikers have established.

PITTSBURG, August 7.—One hundred and eight signatures in the uniformity agreement were received to-day. When the required number of signatures is secured the strike, if it is still in progress, will easily be settled and mining disputes of a serious nature will be at an end until January 1st, 1899, at least."

CHARLESTON, W. VA., August 7.—A break was made to-day among the Kanawana miners, who have been at work up to this time. In compliance with the agreement made at the meeting at Handley yesterday, about 300 men quit work to-day in the Kanawaha fields. It is believed here that by the middle of next week practically all of the Kanawaha miners will be out.

UNIONTOWN, PA., August 7.—West Virginia coal continues to go through town in large train loads over the Baltimore & Ohio. The threat by the strikers to hold up the trains and the fear of interference has caused the West Virginia operators to take precautionary measures and the trains are now heavily loaded with armed men.

THE ATLANTA STRIKE.

Satisfactorily Adjusted and Operatives Will Return to Work Monday.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, August 7.—The strike which has been on for the past few days between the operatives of the Fulton Bag and Cotton Mills was satisfactorily adjusted to-day, and it is announced that the operatives will return to work Monday morning. Fourteen hundred employes went out on the strike which it was thought was settled yesterday, but last night the trouble was renewed. President Elsas agreed to restore the status as it existed at the time of the strike, discharging the negro women, but the strikers afterwards insisted that all negro hands in the factory, even those formerly employed, be discharged. This President Elsas refused to do. A basis of settlement was reached to-day by which the strikers agree to return to work provided the status as it existed before Thursday was restored, and this President Elsas agreed to do.

President Elsas said to-day that in engaging the negro women not a single white employe had been discharged, and the only reason for engaging the negro help was the inability of the company to secure as many white operatives as were needed.

TEXAS LYNCHING.

A Negro Hanged by a Mob for Criminal Assault.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HOUSTON, TEX., August 7.—A double lynching is very likely at Nacogdoches to-night. The people are guarding the jail to prevent the sheriff spiriting away Esseck White, a negro, and another party is seeking the place where the sheriff has hidden Armas Phillips. The two attempted a criminal assault upon two young ladies last Wednesday night and White boasted that he had a lock of hair from the head of one of them, which led to his capture.

A mob of five hundred men broke into the jail at 10 o'clock, seized White and hanged him. He admitted he was implicated in the crime, but laid the blame on others. Phillips will be lynched as soon as his hiding place is discovered.

AN "ORIGINAL PACKAGE"

As Defined by Judge Simonton of the U. S. Circuit Court.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, August 7.—In the U. S. Circuit Court, Judge Simonton filed a decision in the case of Guckenheimer & Sons vs. W. W. Sellers et al., brought to settle the question "of what constitutes an original package." Judge Simonton decided that if a bottle is given to a carrier outside the State for shipment into the State, that is an original package. If several bottles are tied together or placed in a barrel or crate or box, then the box, barrel or crate is the original package and must not be broken for delivery or sale. In the words of the document, "an original package is the package delivered to the carrier by the importer at the initial place of shipment."

FOUR-ROUND CONTEST

Between Horace Leeds and Young Griffo at Atlantic City.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., August 7—Horace Leeds, of this city, and young Griffo, the Australian, met to-night in a four-round contest, which proved a most exciting one. Leeds, to the surprise of the 1,500 spectators, put up the best fight of his life. He kept the Australian going all through the bout and had a shade the best of the argument. Griffo was not in good condition, however, which is partly accountable for his showing.

THE SEAL FISHERIES DISPUTE.

Return of Gen. Foster and Mr. Hamlin—Will Report to President McKinley Shortly.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, August 7.—Gen. John W. Foster, who has just returned from Europe, called at the State Department to-day with his associate in the seal fisheries negotiations, Mr. Hamlin, and saw Secretary Sherman. He made no written report but in conversation gave the Secretary of State a comprehensive idea of the result of his mission. Later in the day Gen. Foster called upon Secretary Gage at the Treasury Department and had quite a consultation with him, much of which was probably devoted to a discussion of the financial question from an European standpoint. Gen. Foster and Mr. Hamlin will leave in a day or two for Lake Champlain, where they will report to the President, at the suggestion of Secretary Sherman. Both declined positively to make any public statement of the result of the work they have in hand, and particularly to give any information as to the conditions under which the conference to regulate the seal question will assemble in this city in October.

OHIO DEMOCRATS

County Convention in Cleveland—Silver Element in Control—Chicago Platform Endorsed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CLEVELAND, August 7.—The Democratic county convention was the most harmonious in years. The silver element was completely in control of the convention. A county and legislative ticket was nominated and the legislative candidates were pledged to vote against Jno. R. McLean for United States Senator if elected. The entire Chicago platform was endorsed, special reference being made to the plank against government by injunction.

WARM WIRELETS

In Coffee county, Ala., Allen Lightfoot was shot and killed and his son, Joe, badly wounded by an armed posse of officers. The Lightfoots were both fugitives from justice.

The pension roll of the United States has almost reached the million mark. Commissioner Evans has just issued a statement showing that at the beginning of this fiscal year the pension list numbered just 988,538.

President Young, of the National Baseball League, who has been employed in the U. S. Treasury Department for thirty-one years, tendered his resignation and at his personal request it was accepted at once by Secretary Gage.

The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Reserve, decreased $4,718 025; loans, increased $6 586 300; specie increased $682,400; legal tenders, decreased $4 553,900; deposits, increased $8,187,300; circulation, decreased $46,400 The banks now hold $41,009,125 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per cent. rule.

A general advance of seventeen per cent., benefiting every branch of the trade, will be asked by the window glass workers organization at the annual conference with the manufacturers at Chicago next Wednesday. A 15 per cent. advance means a restoration of 1892 wages, the highest paid under any of the tariff bills

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ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Discounts	$381,844 24	Capital Stock	$100,000 0
Bank Building	23,000 00	Surplus	11,500 0
Redemption Fund with U. S. Treasurer	2 250 00	Undivided Profits	1,051 9
U. S. Bonds	50,000 00	Dividends Unpaid	330 0
Premium on U. S. Bonds	5,437 50	Circulation	45,000 0
Stocks, Securities, etc.	4,993 00	Deposits	372,521 4
Over Drafts	92 14		
Due from Banks	34,429 14		
Cash and Reserve	128,627 15		
	$530,668 17		$530,668 7

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